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IN THE CLAIMS:

1 -14. (Canceled)

15. (Previously Presented)

A burner for a grill unit comprising:

a burner conduit, said burner conduit being generally "U" shaped, having a first leg and second leg, said legs spaced from one another, said burner conduit having a plurality of apertures formed in the legs thereof; and

a gas delivery conduit having an inlet end into which gas may be delivered;

a first gas delivery arm extending from said gas delivery conduit to said first leg of said burner conduit and defining a closed gas delivery path between said gas delivery conduit and said first leg, and a second gas delivery arm extending from said gas delivery conduit to said second leg of said burner conduit and defining a closed gas delivery path between said gas delivery conduit and said second leg, whereby gas provided to said inlet end of said delivery conduit is delivered to said burner conduit solely to said first and second legs via said first gas delivery arm and said second gas delivery arm.

16. (Original)

The burner in accordance with Claim 15 wherein said apertures are generally formed in a first side of said burner conduit and including a diverter plate extending over at least a portion of said burner conduit and spaced from said apertures.

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17-31. (Canceled)

32. (Previously Presented)

A burner unit for a grill comprising:

a burner conduit, said burner conduit being generally "U" shaped, having a first leg and a second leg and a curved connecting portion, said first and second legs spaced apart and extending generally parallel to one another, said burner conduit comprising a wall defining an interior passage through said first and second legs and said curved connecting portion, said wall having a plurality of apertures there through from said interior passage to an exterior thereof at least at said first leg and said second leg through which gas delivered to said burner conduit may escape for combustion; and

a gas delivery conduit comprising:

a central section having a first end and a second end, said first end comprising a gas inlet;

first and second arms extending outwardly from said central section, said first arm connected to said first leg of said burner conduit and defining a fluid path from said central section to said interior passage through said first leg, and said second leg connected to said second leg of said burner conduit and defining a fluid path from said central section to said interior passage through said second leg,

said central section defining a gas flow passage from said inlet to said first and second arms and said first and second arms defining closed gas flow passages therethrough to said first and second legs of said burner conduit;

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whereby gas is solely delivered to said interior of said burner conduit by delivering gas to said inlet of said gas delivery conduit and delivering that gas through the first and second arms of said gas delivery conduit to said first and second legs of said burner conduit.

33. (Previously Presented)

The burner unit in accordance with Claim 32 wherein said apertures are located in portions of said first and second legs facing one another.

34. (Previously Presented)

The burner unit in accordance with Claim 32 wherein said central section of said gas delivery conduit is located between said first and second legs of said burner conduit and extends generally parallel thereto, and wherein said first and second arms of said gas delivery conduit extend generally perpendicular to said central section of said gas delivery conduit and said first and second legs of said burner conduit.

35. (Previously Presented)

The burner unit in accordance with Claim 33 including a diverter positioned above said burner conduit.

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36. (Previously Presented)

The burner unit in accordance with Claim 35 wherein said diverter is generally “U” shaped, having a first curved portion and a pair of leg portions extending therefrom.

37. (Previously Presented)

The burner unit in accordance with Claim 36 wherein one or more supports extend outwardly from said burner conduit and said diverter is supported by said one or more supports.

38. (Previously Presented)

The burner unit in accordance with Claim 32 wherein said first leg defines a first end of said burner conduit and said second leg defines a second end of said burner conduit, said first and second ends being substantially closed.

39. (Previously Presented)

The burner unit in accordance with Claim 38 wherein said second end of said central section of said gas delivery conduit is closed.

40. (Previously Presented)

The burner unit in accordance with Claim 32 wherein said gas delivery conduit and burner conduit are generally circular in cross-section.

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41. (Previously Presented)

The burner unit in accordance with Claim 32 wherein said apertures are located only in said first and second legs.